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Price of leaks

CIA officials, concerned over recent executive branch leaks, say "more than one" allied intelligence service has stopped sharing information with the CIA after secrets were disclosed in the press. The officials declined to identify the spy agencies that curbed liaison data-sharing, but informed sources say Great Britain and Egypt have cut off the CIA.

CIA Director William J. Casey last week mentioned the problem in a public speech. "Just a few weeks ago, the intelligence service of one of our closest allies told us they can no longer pass us advance information on terrorist activities," he said. "It has had enough of reading about its most sensitive, well-protected information in the U.S. media."

Sources said British MI6 intelligence officials were angered over press reports last month revealing details KGB defector Oleg Gordievksi had supplied to U.S. officials. As a result, the Brits have stopped sharing information collected from its spies, the sources said.

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